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SUBJECT: KUWAIT CRUDE PRODUCTION RISES IN NOVEMBER

REF: KUWAIT 4978

1. ALTHOUGH WELL BELOW PRE-EMBARGO LEVELS, KUWAIT OIL COMPANY CRUDE PRODUCTION DURING NOVEMBER WAS HIGHEST IT HAS BEEN IN SEVERAL MONTHS. TOTAL CRUDE PRODUCTION AT KOC IN NOVEMBER WAS 68,060,203 BARRELS OR ABOUT 2.21 MILLION BPD. THIS WAS
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400,000 BPD ABOVE OCTOBER LEVELS (SEE REF TEL), WITH AMINOIL

AND KUWAIT SHARE ARABIAN OIL COMPANY PRODUCTION TOTAL KUWAITI
PRODUCTION IN NOVEMBER WAS AROUND 2.5 MILLION BPD.

2. LEADING IMPORTERS KOC CRUDE WERE: UK (13 MILLION BARRELS),
NETHERLANDS (11.5 MILLION BARRELS), JAPAN (10 MILLION BARRELS)
AND FRANCE (6 MILLION BARRELS). NO REPEAT NO KOC CRUDE WAS EX-
PORTED TO US IN NOVEMBER, BUT 1.5 MILLION BARRELS WAS EXPORTED TO
CANADA.

3. COMMENT: INCREASED KOC PRODUCTION DURING NOVEMBER MOST
LIKELY REFLECTS INCREASED DEMANDS FOR WINTER FUEL SUPPLIES.
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